

### **REMARKS**

1. An Office Action requiring Applicant to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits was mailed August 31, 2009. Claims 1-22 and 39-52 were last presented for examination. By the foregoing Amendments, claims 2 and 4 have been amended, claims 39-52 have been cancelled and no claims have been added. Claims 13, 16 and 17 have been withdrawn. Thus, upon entry of this paper, claims 1-22 will remain pending in this application. Of these twenty-two (22) claims, one (1) claim (claims 1) is independent. In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement, Applicant submits this Response.

#### ***Election/Restriction***

2. The Examiner has required the election of a single invention for prosecution on the merits. The Examiner alleged that the originally filed claims are directed to the following two (2) inventions.

***Group I.*** Claims 1-22, drawn to a first product.

***Group II.*** Claims 39-52, drawn to a first method.

#### ***Election of Species***

3. The Examiner has required the election of a single species for prosecution on the merits. The Examiner alleged that the originally filed claims are directed to the following two (2) patentably distinct species:

Species (i): Claims 7, 10-12 and 44-49.

Species (ii): Claims 13, 16, 17 and 51.

Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 14, 15, 18-22, 39-43, 50 and 52 are generic.

#### ***Election***

4. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.143 and MPEP 818.03(b), Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the claims of Group I, namely, claims 1-22, and Species (i), namely, claims 7 and 10-12.

5. Applicant does not intend to dedicate non-elected claims to the public and reserve the right to file divisional applications for the subject matter covered by the non-elected claims.
6. The inventorship for the invention of the elected claims is the same as the inventorship of record in this application.

***Conclusion***

7. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for examination and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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